

Amendments to the Specification

The paragraphs starting at page 4, line 25 and ending at page 8, line 11 have been amended as follows.

The present invention has been made to solve the aforementioned conventional problems, and ~~has as its object to~~ can provide an information processing apparatus, which can prevent an error due to a time-out caused by transfer denial of print data from the information processing apparatus to a printing apparatus in an ink-jet print system in accordance with the operation state of the printing apparatus even when the printing apparatus denies transfer of print data transferred from the information processing apparatus, and can appropriately make error display even when any abnormality has occurred in the printing apparatus.

An information processing apparatus according to an embodiment of the present invention, ~~which can achieve the above object~~, comprises the following arrangement. That is, there is provided an information processing apparatus which is connected to an ink-jet printing apparatus that prints an image by ejecting ink onto a print medium on the basis of print data, and can exchange data with the ink-jet printing apparatus, comprising: print data generation means for generating print data for an image to be printed by the ink-jet printing apparatus; transfer means for transferring the generated print data to the ink-jet printing apparatus; and control means for controlling transfer of the print data by the transfer means in accordance with transfer permission/denial information indicating transfer permission/denial of the print data, and

operation information indicating an operation state of the ink-jet printing apparatus, which are sent from the ink-jet printing apparatus.

According to another aspect of the present invention, a method of controlling an information processing apparatus according to an embodiment of the present invention, ~~which can achieve the above object~~, comprises the following arrangement. That is, there is provided a method of controlling an information processing apparatus which is connected to an ink-jet printing apparatus that prints an image by ejecting ink onto a print medium on the basis of print data, and can exchange data with the ink-jet printing apparatus, comprising: a print data generation step of generating print data for an image to be printed by the ink-jet printing apparatus; a transfer step of transferring the generated print data to the ink-jet printing apparatus; and a control step of controlling transfer of the print data in the transfer step in accordance with transfer permission/denial information indicating transfer permission/denial of the print data, and operation information indicating an operation state of the ink-jet printing apparatus, which are sent from the ink-jet printing apparatus.

According to still another aspect of the present invention, an ink-jet printing apparatus according to an embodiment of the present invention, ~~which can achieve the above object~~, comprises the following arrangement. That is, there is provided a ~~an~~ ink-jet printing apparatus connected to an information processing apparatus, comprising: transmission means for transmitting, to the information processing apparatus, transfer permission/denial information indicating transfer permission/denial of print data; and printing means for printing an image by

ejecting ink onto a print medium on the basis of the print data received from the information processing apparatus.

According to still another aspect of the present invention, an ink-jet print system according to an embodiment of the present invention, ~~which can achieve the above object,~~ comprises the following arrangement. That is, there is provided an ink-jet print system, which comprises an ink-jet printing apparatus that prints an image by ejecting ink onto a print medium on the basis of print data, and an information processing apparatus which is connected to the ink-jet printing apparatus and can exchange data with the ink-jet printing apparatus, the information processing apparatus comprising: print data generation means for generating print data for an image to be printed by the ink-jet printing apparatus; transfer means for transferring the generated print data to the ink-jet printing apparatus; and control means for controlling transfer of the print data by the transfer means in accordance with transfer permission/denial information indicating transfer permission/denial of the print data, and operation information indicating an operation state of the ink-jet printing apparatus, which are sent from the ink-jet printing apparatus, and the ink-jet printing apparatus comprising: transmission means for transmitting, to the information processing apparatus, transfer permission/denial information indicating transfer permission/denial of the print data; and printing means for printing an image by ejecting ink onto a print medium on the basis of the print data received from the information processing apparatus.